



# **MONTANA LEGISLATIVE BRANCH**

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### **AGENDA**

#### **HJR 35 Interim Study of Public Mental Health Services**

**October 6, 1999**

**Room B-7, Federal Building, 301 S. Park**

- 8:30 Call to Order  
Review and Approve Minutes from August 19 Meeting
- 8:40 Standing Agenda Items and Information Requests from August 19 Meeting  
MSH population (with ADP by commitment type – Rep. Barnhart)  
Reports from DPHHS:  
    Expenditures compared to appropriation  
    Oversight Advisory Council recommendations/action  
    MHAP claims  
    Representative Soft requested information on use of high-end placements compared to community placements  
    Senator Keenan requested information on the use of TANF funds for early intervention services for SED children  
Report from Bonnie Adey, Mental Health Ombudsman
- 9:00 – 11:30 Panel on Adult Mental Health Services
- Introduction – How do adults enter the mental health services system? How do they receive services?  
How do agencies coordinate and cooperate in providing services? What are the strengths of the system?  
What are your concerns? What could be done to address your concerns?
- Law Enforcement Services – Sheriff Slaughter, Gallatin County
- Judicial Process/Involvement – Leslie Halligan, Deputy County Attorney from Missoula County
- State Hospital Admissions/Services – Debra Dirkson, Director, Montana State Hospital
- Montana Mental Health Nursing Care Center - Ron Balas, Director, MMHNCC
- Developmental Disabilities Services – Larry Lovelace, Manager Region IV (Helena), Disability Services Division
- Addictive and Mental Disorders Division - Dan Anderson, Administrator, Addictive and Mental Disorders Division
- Family Advocate/Consumer – Pete Yazak

11:30 U.S. Supreme Court Olmstead Decision – Susan Fox/Greg Petesch

Lunch

1:15 – 2:30 Program of Assertive Community Treatment (PACT) Panel

What is PACT? How are the Montana PACT pilots structured and what are the goals and outcomes of the pilots? How will the pilot projects be evaluated? Do panelists have other comments or concerns?

Sandy Mihelisch, Family/Consumer Advocate

Jeff Sturm, Golden Triangle Mental Health Center

Dan Anderson, Addictive and Mental Disorders Division

2:45 Review of MCP community services plan requested by Sen. Swysgood – DPHHS Staff  
Continue other standing agenda item discussion if necessary

3:15 Public Comment

4:00 Refine/Adopt Study Plan  
Review/Refine Agenda – January Meeting  
Direction to Staff

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